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SUBJECT: MOP-3 CARTAGENA PROTOCOL YEMEN ACTIONS

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(SBU) Post contacted the Republic of Yemen Government (ROYG) Standardization Organization regarding any action taken by the ROYG in response to the MOP-3 of the Cartagena Protocol. Deputy Minister Ahmed Al-Besha stated that the ROYG did participate in the Cartagena Protocol, but did not participate in the Curitiba / Brazil meeting. The ROYG is in the process of preparing a list of products that may contain

LMOs. Once the list is completed they will issue a decision which will be similar to whatever is applied by the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). Al-Besha explained that the ROYG expects to announce within one month that the ROYG Standardization Organization will join the GCC Standards Council. This will require that they follow the GCC's Standards Regulations. Krajeski